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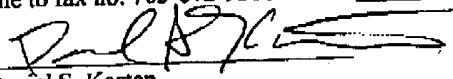
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**SUBMISSION OF DEPOSIT RECEIPT TO ACCOMPANY "AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE" OF FEBRUARY 24, 2004**

HONORABLE SIR:

At page 8, paragraph 2 of Applicants "Amendment and Response" submitted
February 24, 2004, in response to the official communication of August 29, 2003,
Applicants refer to the ATCC deposit receipt for the microorganism designated MGN-

Ser. No. 09/560,539

3394. Applicants inadvertently failed to include a copy of that receipt with the submission of February 24, 2004. A copy of the deposit receipt is included herewith; please append this receipt to Applicants submission of February 24, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



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**BUDAPEST TREATY ON THE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF
THE DEPOSIT OF MICROORGANISMS FOR THE PURPOSES OF PATENT PROCEDURE**

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**RECEIPT IN THE CASE OF AN ORIGINAL DEPOSIT ISSUED PURSUANT TO RULE 7.3
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Megan Health Inc.
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Deposited on Behalf of: AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc.
119 Fourth Avenue, Needham, MA 02494-2725

Identification Reference by Depositor:

Patent Deposit Designation

Attenuated Salmonella enterica Serovar typhimurium containing
recombinant plasmid pMEG-771: MGN-3394

PTA-5256

The deposit was accompanied by: a scientific description a proposed taxonomic description indicated above.

The deposit was received June 10, 2003 by this International Depository Authority and has been accepted.

AT YOUR REQUEST: X We will inform you of requests for the strain for 30 years.

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Marie Harris, Patent Specialist, ATCC Patent Depository

Date: June 20, 2003

cc: Dan Kasten

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